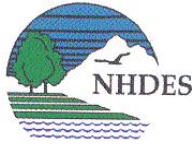


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Media Advisory

DES Commissioner and Executive Councilor Ray Burton

Tour to Stop in Sunapee, Newport and Claremont

Annual tour scheduled for October 11

Concord, NH - New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services Commissioner Thomas Burack and Executive Councilor Ray Burton will be touring several projects in the Sunapee, Newport, Claremont area of Executive Council District One. The media is invited to join the tour for one or all of the events. The tour will provide numerous photo opportunities and story leads. For your convenience, the tour itinerary is below:

Thursday, October 11, 2007

**9:30 to 10:30 a.m.: Sunapee: Lake Sunapee Protective Association – GLEON Buoy.
Sunapee Harbor, 68 Main Street, Sunapee.**

LSPA, an active DES Volunteer Lake Assessment Program member, has installed a GLEON (Global Lakes Ecological Observatory Network) Buoy on the Lake. The buoy, the first of its kind in the Northeast, records wind speed and direction, humidity, sunlight, water temperature at various levels and dissolved oxygen in the water. Group will take a quick tour of the Lake.

**11:00 to 12:00 p.m.: Newport: Meadow Road Realty Trust/former Peerless Woolen Mill.
4 to 6 Meadow Road, Newport.**

Tour of the Meadow Road Realty Trust property, formerly the Peerless Woolen Mill, a 19th century manufacturer of ladies undergarments. Southwestern Community Services was awarded \$3.7 million in assistance by HUD to redevelop the property for apartments. DES provided reimbursement for the cost of the site cleanup via the State's Petroleum Reimbursement Fund. DES approved an expedited soil removal project that will eliminate the source of groundwater contamination.

**1:00 to 2:00 p.m.: Claremont: WWTP Upgrade, \$2.2 million DES Loan.
DPW Office: 8 Grandview Street.**

DES provided Claremont with a low-interest loan from the State Revolving Fund in the amount of Approximately \$2.2 million for upgrades to their Waste Water Treatment Plant. The group will take a tour of the facility.

**2:15 to 3:00 pm Claremont: Lowes Home Improvement Store Project
Route 103.**

Review of site remediation activities. The Lowes Site was formerly the site of the Barney Bass Junkyard.

**3:15 to 4: 00 pm Claremont: Brownfields Assessment Grant/Work
Intersection of Water Street and Main Street at the Sawtooth
Building.**

Tour of mill buildings designated for redevelopment, including the Sawtooth Mill building, historically significant because of its brick construction with a sawtooth roof design, and the former Woven Label Mill building that will soon house a new Common Man restaurant.

4:15 p.m.: End of Tour

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